

**BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

In the Matter of the Revocation	)	
	)	
or Suspension of the Educators	)	CONSENT ORDER OF
	)	
Certificate of C. Tyrone Gilmore	)	VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
	)	
Certificate # 061152	)	

**SUMMARY OF THE CASE**

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on June 10, 2003. On December 18, 2002, the Chair of Spartanburg County School District Seven (District) notified State Department of Education (Department) of the resignation of the Superintendent, Dr. C. Tyrone Gilmore, following allegations by employees of sexual harassment. On January 24, 2003, Dr. Gilmore's attorney, Albert V. Smith, Esquire, notified the Office of General Counsel of the Department that his Dr. Gilmore was willing to voluntarily surrender his South Carolina educator's certificate # 061152 (certificate), and agree never to re-apply in South Carolina. This surrender will be reported to the NASDTEC Clearinghouse and all South Carolina school districts as a permanent surrender. After considering the evidence presented, the State Board voted to accept the voluntary and permanent surrender of Dr. Gilmore's certificate.

Dr. Gilmore holds a valid South Carolina certificate, and has over 37 years of teaching experience. While he denied the allegations made against him, upon advice of counsel, Dr. Gilmore was willing to surrender his certificate because his years of experience are well beyond the number required to be eligible for full retirement benefits, he served as Superintendent of the District, and he did not wish to subject the District to adverse publicity that may follow a hearing on the merits of the complaints filed.

Dr.  
C.  
Tyrone  
Gilmore  
SC #  
061152

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### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

“The South Carolina Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person.” S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 (1990). S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (1990) (4). The State Board finds that the preponderance of the evidence presented supports its decision to accept the voluntary and permanent surrender of Dr. Gilmore’s certificate # 061152, effective June 10, 2003.

South Carolina State Board of Education

By: /S/ Greg Killian  
Greg Killian  
Chair

Columbia, South Carolina  
June 10, 2003

I, Dr. C. Tyrone Gilmore, SC Teaching Certificate # 061152, do hereby agree to the proposed Consent Order of Voluntary Surrender, consisting of two pages, and understand that this Order will be presented as signed to the State Board of Education on Tuesday, June 10, 2003, for approval.

/S/ C. Tyrone Gilmore

Dr. C. Tyrone Gilmore

6/5/03

Date